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1. There was an airfield, about 6,600 x 10,000 feet, east of NIZHNI-TAGIL (59°58' E/57°55'N), Sverdlovsk Oblast, about 2 1/2 miles south of the railroad car factory.
2. The field had two diagonal concrete runways. One was about 3,300 feet long and 135 feet wide. For the construction of this runway the ground was excavated to a depth of 12 inches and then filled with a 4-inch broken stone and an 8-inch concrete layer. The second runway, which was about 4,000 feet long and 90 feet wide, had a 4-inch concrete layer.
3. There were hangars and an administration building with a radio station at the western edge of the field, workshops at the southern edge.
4. Flying was almost stopped during the construction work. A four-engine bomber which landed and took off several times was the only aircraft seen.

25X1 Comment:

a. The existence of this airfield was reported for the first time. The report is considered credible . It may be assumed that two runways were under construction there.

b. The mentioned four-engine bomber possibly was a four-engine transport plane.

c. From the size of the field and the measurements of the runways it is inferred that the field was being constructed for use by four-engine aircraft.

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